



Preparing for your Cataract Evaluation

Welcome

Thank you for trusting our team with your cataract evaluation. Our goal is to help every patient achieve their highest level of vision.

Preparing for your appointment

- ◆ Please bring a driver since your eyes will be dilated.
 - ◆ The exam usually requires 2-3 hours.
 - ◆ If surgery is recommended, the surgery is on a different date than your exam.
 - ◆ Bring your glasses, a list of current medications and any contact lens information.
 - ◆ Wear your contact lenses. If surgery is recommended, contact lenses are discontinued and additional implant measurements taken several weeks later.
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Important Considerations

- ◆ If a decision is made to have surgery, please rest assured that cataract surgery is one of the most common and safest operations performed. The majority of patients see much better after surgery. Our surgical facility is AAAHC certified and dedicated to eye surgery only. Many of our team have assisted with thousands of eye procedures providing a wealth of talent and experience.
 - ◆ Our practice has the most advanced technology available for cataract surgery. We offer LenSx laser assisted cataract surgery and ORA intraoperative aberrometry for the most precise surgery and implant selection possible.
 - ◆ Vision is restored with an intraocular lens implant and glasses.
 - ◆ All patients receive the highest quality modern implants that are FDA approved and expected to last a lifetime.
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Customized Surgery

- ◆ Patients can now choose between traditional cataract surgery or advanced technology Laser Cataract Surgery with ORA imaging. Traditional cataract surgery is typically covered by medical insurance subject to deductible and copay. The custom upgrades have additional out of pocket expense that we keep as low as possible in order to make this technology available for our patients.
- ◆ Studies show both traditional and laser surgical techniques give excellent results.
- ◆ Please review the attachments before your exam. This information helps start the conversation regarding your specific visual needs and goals. If you are not sure, we will guide you through the evaluation process and make recommendations.

We look forward to serving you.



Visual Functioning Questionnaire

To help us evaluate your level of visual functioning it is important to know the problems you are having as you go through your daily activities.

Please circle answer YES or NO

Does your sight make it a problem for you to:

Read newspapers or telephone books	YES	NO
See traffic signs or store aisle directories	YES	NO
Read your letter and bills	YES	NO
Read price tags or medicine labels	YES	NO
Recognize people's faces	YES	NO
See stair steps or curbs	YES	NO
See TV clearly	YES	NO
Manage your home	YES	NO
Do your favorite hobby	YES	NO
Enjoy recreation and leisure	YES	NO

Are you bothered by:

Headlight glare from cars	YES	NO
Halos around light at night	YES	NO
Glare from glossy magazines	YES	NO
Bright sunlight when outside	YES	NO
Facing windows with bright daylight	YES	NO
Hazy, foggy or blurry vision	YES	NO

If stronger glasses won't improve your vision anymore and if the only way to help you see better is cataract surgery, do you feel your vision problem is bad enough to consider cataract surgery now? YES NO

Patient Name (print): _____ Date: _____

Patient Signature: _____

Physicians Signature: _____



Cataract Surgery Considerations

Berg Eye Group has one of the most experienced cataract teams in the Southeast. From evaluation to surgical decision making to the actual procedure our goal is to bring you the safest most effective surgery for restoring vision.

When is Surgery Recommended?

An eye exam will determine if your visual symptoms may be due to a cataract. Cataract surgery is considered for the following reasons

- **Vision improvement**
When your vision with glasses is not adequate for daily activities and your exam indicates surgery may help improve your vision.
 - **Medical reasons**
To assist with treatment of other eye conditions such as Glaucoma or Retinal Disease.
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Cataract Surgery Options

Traditional or Standard Cataract surgery

- For patients who don't mind wearing glasses for all distances.
- Usually covered by medical insurance subject to deductible and copay.

Laser Assisted Cataract surgery

- Makes surgery easier and adds an extra margin of safety. Over 1 million femtosecond laser assisted cataract procedures have been performed worldwide. While there is an additional out of pocket fee, we limit the fee to our cost in order to make the surgery available to more patients.

Custom Cataract Surgery

- Custom Cataract Surgery provides astigmatism treatment and/or specialized implants to provide you with decreased dependency on glasses compared to standard medically necessary surgery.
- Includes Laser assisted cataract removal.
- Custom upgrades include have additional out of pocket expense that we keep as low as possible in order to make this technology available for our patients.

Patient Goals

- Please discuss your goals for surgery with our staff and doctors.
- Thank you for choosing trusting our team, we look forward to serving you.

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